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Mayor Ballard, DPS and IMPD Announce 2014 Summer Crime Reduction Plan

INDIANAPOLIS – Today Mayor Greg Ballard, Director of Public Safety Troy Riggs, and IMPD Chief Richard Hite introduced IMPD's 2014 summer crime-reduction plan.

The plan, which will involve partnerships with a number of agencies, incorporates law enforcement tactics and community outreach programs to help make Indianapolis neighborhoods safer this summer and beyond.

"Making Indy neighborhoods safer is our top priority," said Mayor Ballard. "IMPD's 2014 summer plan focuses heavily on the use of strategic law enforcement tactics in known hotspots as well as community partner involvement to help people make better choices in life."

Last year's IMPD summer plan resulted in nearly 1,300 arrests totaling more than 2,400 filed charges and the seizure of more than 220 illegally possessed guns.

"IMPD is committed to helping those in our community that wish to seek a positive path in their lives. IMPD is equally committed to removing individuals from our streets that choose to threaten or degrade our community in any way," said Riggs. "The men and women of IMPD continue to do good work for the citizens of Indianapolis and I believe the summer plan will further that good work."

The 2014 summer plan involves several initiatives, some of which are already underway.

"IMPD and its federal, state, and local partners are dedicated to providing open spaces and safe places for all who choose to live, work and visit our great city," said Hite. "Every life in this city has value, and through intervention, prevention, suppression and community partnerships, we will make Indy neighborhoods safer for everyone."

- 2014 summer plan highlights
- 2014 crime data overview